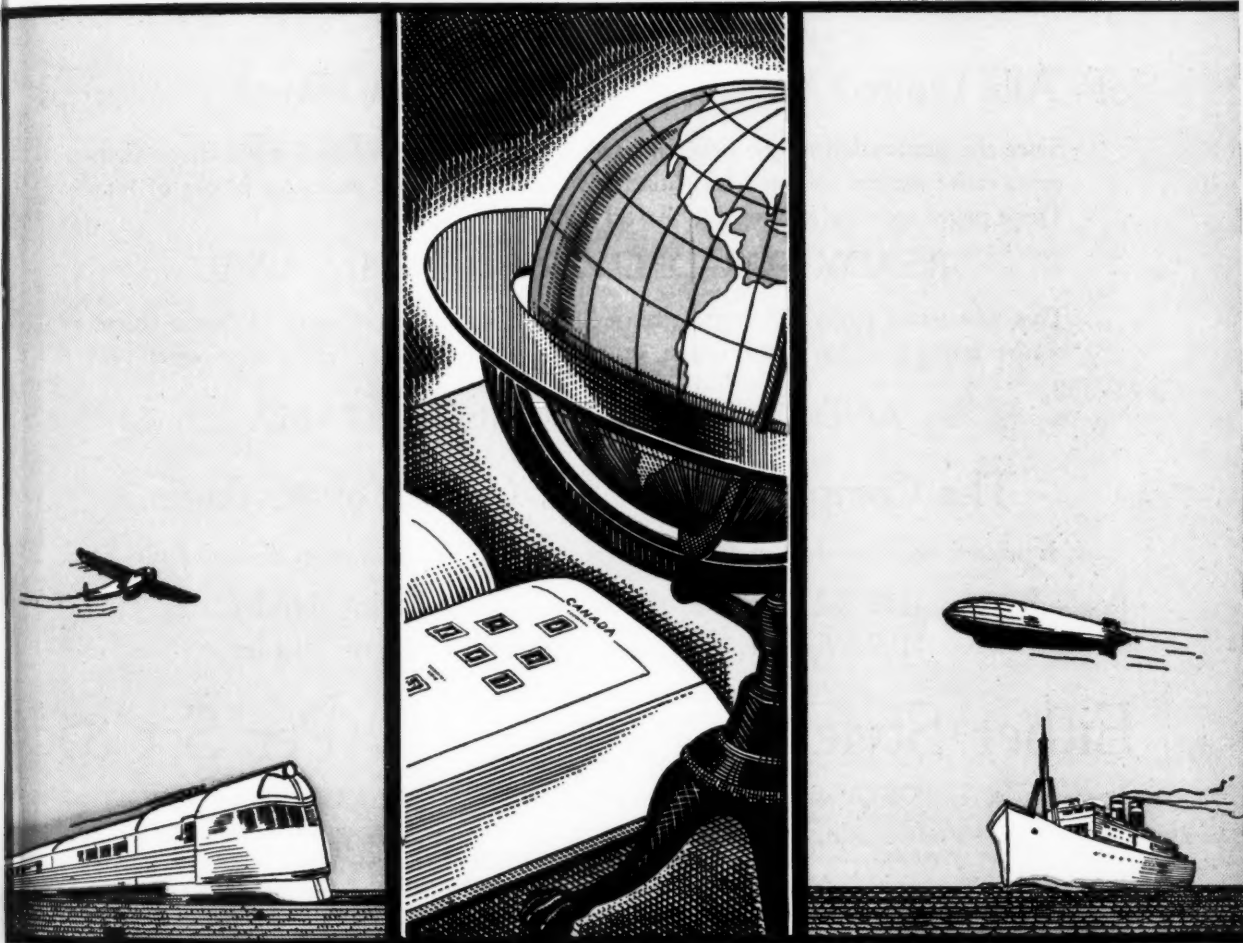


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Heard and Seen in Washington

By W. C. RICE

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New Illustrations Bill

REPRESENTATIVE D. C. DOBBINS, of Illinois, introduced into the House of Representatives on April 11, 1935, a bill "to permit and regulate the pictorial representation of postage stamps for philatelic purposes." This bill reads as follows: "Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled, That the pictorial representation for philatelic purposes of postage stamps issued under authority of the United States or any foreign government shall not be unlawful if such pictorial representation is in compliance with such rules and regulations in respect thereto as may hereafter be prescribed by the Postmaster General."

The bill was introduced and referred to the Committee on the Post Office and Post Roads and given the number H. R. 7441. Representative Dobbins, who is a member of that important committee, in discussing his bill says:

"I am not a philatelist. My interest in philately has been merely a casual one. A similar interest is probably held by any well read and well informed person. I have a number of stamp collectors among my friends, and whenever I come into possession of a rare or unusual stamp, I make it a practice to pass it on to one of them."

"When I learned that a Committee of the American Philatelic Society had for some time been desirous of promoting legislation that will enable them more effectively to interchange instructive information concerning the

numerous stamp issues of the United States and foreign governments, I immediately found myself in sympathy with their objective.

"I remember that, nearly 30 years ago, I was discussing the subject of counterfeiting with an agent of the United States Secret Service in Pittsburgh. After he had told me of some of the pictorial representations that are held to violate the counterfeiting laws, I remarked that under such an interpretation of the law a post card dealer's sign that I had seen a week or two before, up on Smithfield street, would be held to be a counterfeit. This sign in question was a crude painting on wood, about five by seven feet, depicting an ordinary government postal card addressed to the proprietor of the place. To my surprise, the operative said that it was a counterfeit, and that he had required the proprietor to take it down and destroy it, under threat of arrest.

"A similar feeling of surprise or mild resentment has occurred every time I have seen pictures printed in newspapers or periodicals with mutilating lines drawn through them. Even without such lines they could never by the wildest stretch of the imagination be mistaken for actual stamps.

"Recently, before our committee on the Post Office and Post Roads, we had under consideration a bill which would prohibit the counterfeiting of a government postmark. Before it was favorably reported, the committee unanimously agreed that it should be, and it was, amended to permit the pictorial representation of a postmark, where it was obviously not intended to represent a genuine postmark.

"The bill (H. R. 7441) that I have introduced will allow the pictorial representation of postage stamps issued by the United States and foreign governments, under such regulations as the Postmaster General may prescribe. Unquestionably, the regulations can and will be so drawn as to allow reputable newspapers and magazines to give to their readers a fair and intelligible idea of the appearance of rare stamps and foreign issues, without in any way facilitating the counterfeiting of stamps."

This step taken by Representative Dobbins is of the greatest importance at this time when Philately is enjoying so much publicity throughout the country. This latest bill, H. R. 7441, as well as that introduced early in the present session by Representative Montague of Virginia (H. R. 1411), has been laid before the House Post Office committee, where much consideration is being given them at the present time. In fact, liberalization of the present laws is being favorably considered by many Senators and Representatives, some of the members having expressed themselves as believing the present restrictions are simply absurd.

This favorable feeling of the members of our two great legislative bodies is being created and nourished by the splendid letters that philatelists of the country over have been writing to their Representatives and Senators. Keep the letters going, both as individuals and as stamp organizations. You may think that one letter more or less means little, but it might be that one letter would swing the opinion of some important member of these committees.

Canada Silver Jubilee Stamps

A new issue of Canadian postage stamps, commemorating the Silver Jubilee of the Accession to the Throne of His Majesty King George the Fifth, will be available at the Philatelic Section of this Department on and after the 4th of May, 1935, as follows:

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Stamp Club News

Kansas City, Mo.

The Midwest Philatelic Society of this city will hold its annual Exhibition April 22nd to 27th inclusive. Franklin Crouch, 1326 Main St., has charge of the Exhibits and those desiring to make entries should contact him. Ribbon awards will be given in all classes.

Spokane, Wash.

The Inland Empire Philatelic Society of Spokane will hold its first stamp exhibition at the Golden Concert Hall of Radio Station KFPY on May 17, 18, 19th. Further information can be had from K. D. Kohler, Secretary, 501 Old National Bank Bldg.

York, Penna.

The Yorktowne Philatelic Society, will hold its first annual exhibit, Friday and Saturday, April 26, 27th. George Gerber of Tamaqua, will hold his regular spring auction on Friday evening. Neighboring collectors and clubs are cordially invited.

Chicago, Ill.

The Gateway Philatelic Society which meets in Jefferson Park Field-house, Long Avenue at Lawrence on the second Monday of each month will have another moving picture program of interest to collectors at its meeting on April 22nd. The society will hold its first informal exhibit on May 13th. Each member will be required to have at least one frame on exhibit.

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In the season of 1933-34 the advertising of this firm appeared in most all of the cheaper publications of the country and the proprietor filled his orders because at no time did he receive a large volume of business from those papers and he was able to meet his obligations and fill orders.

When he stepped up into the papers named above, the volume of orders received was such as to swamp him and he was apparently unable to get material with which to fill his orders promptly. He should have taken it upon himself to refund remittances to those who had ordered from him, but this he failed to do and soon complaints were pouring into our office by the dozens. Doubtless the publishers of the other magazines mentioned above were besieged by complaints.

For our part we made representations to the Postoffice Inspector at Little Rock, Ark., for in the meantime Perry Burke the manager of the company had left Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and located in Hot Springs, Ark.

After many complaints had been filed by our office and after we had urged all complainants to file complaint with the Inspector at Little Rock, Burke was finally arrested and charged with using the mails to defraud.

On March 27, he was indicted by the Grand Jury and at the trial on April 5, he pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two years in the Federal Reformatory.

This then closes the case of The George Washington Memorial Paper Company. It is of course to be regretted that fraud of this sort can be practiced through the mail to the extent that was done by Burke before he is headed off and stopped for we have evidence that shows that Burke was reported and complained of long before his mail was stopped.

License and Royalty Stamps

A Check List of License and Royalty Stamps used in the United States from 1860 to 1885 has been issued by Henry W. Holcombe, 321 West 94th Street, New York.

The booklet is of unusual interest and throws light on lots of labels and stickers that we have seen in stamp collections in the past, yet never knew of their use or application.

It appears that following the Civil war, taxes were raised in many ways and one of the ways was to license certain lines of business. Thus there were license stamps for Collar Manufacturers, Hats, Clothing, Shoes etc.

These license stamps are of interest to many collectors and this new list is doubtless the most thorough and complete list of its sort that has ever been issued for Mr. Holcombe has had the guidance and assistance of all past students of these issues, among the greatest of which was E. B. Sterling.

Doubtless many old time collectors have some of these stamps and will be glad of an opportunity to obtain a copy of this list which is offered at 50c by the publisher.

Coming Cachets

Officials of the Aero Philatelic Society and Stamp Collectors Club of Lebanon, Pa., will overprint a full sheet of the 1c Parks stamps, the small six size sheets, as a souvenir of their exhibit and banquet, instead of issuing a cacheted cover as had been originally planned.

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BY JAMES WALSH

DO you remember, when you first started collecting, what stamps attracted you most? Those of Liberia, probably, or Nyassa, or any other strange and distant country whose issues were odd-looking and colorful. Did you worry about condition, centering, straight edges, legitimacy of issue? You did not; all you wanted was to fill up the blank spaces in your album, especially those provided for large, attractive stamps. Nor, I think, can you honestly say that any other phase of collecting gave you greater pleasure.

For it is commonly admitted that general collecting has an appeal and a charm that are seldom found in the various forms of specializing. But the fact is indisputable that a collection approaching completeness, whether a general collection or one of the customary specialized nature, is usually rather costly. And while completion is the goal of all, the necessary funds are not always at hand. So it is that the average collector, trying to effect a sort of compromise, frequently selects some group, not too expensive, on which to center his efforts. But it seems to me that he sacrifices too much of the charm of general collecting, and overlooks some of the most interesting fields, in his search for an inexpensive group which he has some chance of completing.

Ship stamps, of course, and map stamps, and one or two other fields

have long had their devoted followers. But how about the hundreds of other designs in any small section of the catalog? Isn't there something there in which you have more than a passing interest—some branch of history, literature, art, science, music, economics, sport, agriculture, transportation? The possibilities are as wide and unlimited as the activities of man. The requisites, on the other hand, are simple: a blank album, or even an ordinary loose-leaf note book; neat penmanship, or better still, a typewriter; reference works which may be found in any public library; and finally, enough interest to investigate your chosen subject. The rest is merely a matter of effort and ingenuity. The result a text written by the collector himself, and illustrated by appropriate stamps, should be a very attractive and worthwhile product.

Granted, then, that you are interested enough in one or more subjects to begin such a collection, there are two general modes of procedure possible: you may write up your topic and search for stamps appropriate to illustrate it; or you may get the stamps and then write your story around them. Either way may prove to be desirable according to the subject, your knowledge of it, and the stamps connected with it. The latter method, however, should prove the more instructive, inasmuch as it will encourage you to become familiar with the story behind the stamp. Then, too, the investigation and research it requires, while not difficult, will tend to broaden your knowledge and widen the scope of your interests, the benefit of which is easily apparent.

The important thing, however, and yet the easiest, is to make a start. And, as you turn the pages of the catalog, and gaze upon the images of Hermes, Ceres, Marx, Lenin, Volta, Pasteur, Copernicus, Sobieski, Kant, Caesar, O'Connell, Pestalozzi, Brown, Goethals, Pizarro, and hundreds of others, it should be more difficult to limit your choice than to find an appealing subject. Or perhaps you will not want a limit; perhaps you will wish to wander unhampered through the fascinating field of biography, as you become more familiar with the lives of the great men depicted on your stamps.

At any rate, you can have all the joy of collecting; you can get stamps from all over the globe, and usually at attractive prices; you can have the added pleasure of learning about something that interests you; and you can wind up with a worthwhile product, a tribute to your own effort, that will interest alike both collector and non-collector. Why (whisper it) you might even write a book!

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Stamps and Counterfeiting

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"It is announced that the American Philatelic Society will appeal to Congress at its next session for repeal of the law which forbids photographing or reproduction of United States Postage Stamps. When I first perfected the photointaglio method in 1881 by which I could engrave intaglio by photography I thought of engraving portraits to be used as poster stamps for advertising. I engraved a stamp by this method and showed proofs to some United States Secret Service officials. They became alarmed, begged me not to make such stamps, and had the present law enacted to prevent counterfeiting."

"It would be well for philatelists to know that, should this present law be repealed, there would be a flood of counterfeit rare stamps that would defy detection, and the joy of stamp collecting would disappear."

We believe that Mr. Horgan much exaggerates the matter for it is a fact that the United States is the only large country in the world which forbids reproduction of its stamps and if there were the danger that he refers to why has not the avalanche of counterfeits come to us from abroad where stamp collecting is much farther advanced than in this country.

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Dealers who wish to contact Mr. Rapkin may address him at Hotel Windsor, Montreal, Canada. Letters to be there not later than April 26. He can also be addressed at any of the towns shown on his itinerary which is printed herewith. He may also be reached in New York, Hotel Roosevelt, from June 21st, until date of sailing for England, July 5th.

Following is the schedule:

TOWN	DATE	HOTEL
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BELLEVEILLE	May 2	
TORONTO	May 3, 4 (morn.)	ROYAL YORK
LONDON	May 4-6	
BRANFORD	May 7 (morn.)	
HAMILTON	May 7 (aft.)	
		ROYAL CONNAUGHT
DETROIT	May 8	STATLER
BUFFALO	May 9	STATLER
PITTSBURGH	May 10 (morn.)	SCHENLY
COLUMBUS	May 11	NEIL HOUSE
ST. LOUIS	May 13	STATLER
KANSAS CITY	May 14	MUEHLERACH
DENVER	May 15, 16	COSMOPOLITAN
SAN DIEGO	May 21	SAN DIEGO
LOS ANGELES	May 22-24	BILTMORE
SAN FRANCISCO	May 28-30	PALACE
SACRAMENTO	June 1 (morn.)	SENATOR
SALT LAKE CITY	June 3	UTAH
MINNEAPOLIS - ST. PAUL	June 5-6	
		ST. PAUL
CHICAGO	June 7-10	BISMARCK
CINCINNATI	June 12	GIBSON
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A Chicken Comes Home To Roost

By Capt. A. C. Townsend

Do you remember the article "That Kid of Yours," published in this paper a couple of years ago? In it we suggested to proud fathers of newborn babies that the kid could be sent to college on about two hundred dollars by investing that amount judiciously in certain current stamps, putting them carefully away and holding onto them until the kid was ready for college.

That article seemed to ring the bell. The NBC asked and received permission to put it on the radio. We had a number of letters from proud fathers, some saying that they had bought and put away their stamps, others that they intended to do so and asked just what stamps to put away, and in what quantities of each. We had some very pleasant correspondence with several papas.

We told them that the great difficulty with the plan was to have determination enough to keep the stamps until the specified time. A good many people put away stamps that way, solemnly vowing not to touch them for a certain number of years. But in less than a quarter of the time old lady luck hits them a clunk on the ear, or something special comes up that they want, and the stamps show such a nice increase in value they are hauled out and sold.

That is human nature. That is why so many people lose money in the stock market. Any broker will tell you that a man simply can't resist taking a good profit. He studies up, takes advice, buys a stock that shows good signs of steadily increasing in its value, soaks it away and swears he will keep it "from then on". And

the stock lives up to his judgment or advice and goes up to where it shows him a noble profit, and then just lies there for a while and does nothing more.

And that fellow just itches all over. He keeps thinking of the profit, and maybe the stock isn't going up any further, and perhaps he had better switch to something else, or at least take his profit and be sure of it, and he keeps itching until out the stock comes and the sale is made. And then he usually sticks the money into something not half so good, and switches from that into something else, and first thing he knows the money is gone, and the stock he first let go of has resumed its climb, and for a long time he isn't fit company for himself, let alone his family.

This isn't guess work. We know. We did that with Bethlehem Steel in 1915, and with several other things we could name. That's why we are not living on a motor yacht in Florida this winter, instead of doing our own snow shoveling!

Well, that article has had an odd and very pleasing sequel. A fifteen year old boy wrote us that he had found a grand lot of New Yorks and 1847s in his grandfather's old law files, and some of them had loose corners, and what would be the best thing for him to use to stick them down safely, without danger of fading?

We advised him, and also asked him for details of the find, saying we wanted to give him some advice. He gave us the details and added, "I think I know what you want to advise. I read 'That Kid of Yours.'"

He was right. We advised him to pack up those old folded letters very carefully and put them away until he wanted to go to college and then, unless his Dad was well off, to sell them little by little to put himself through—stand on his own legs and be a man. There is an awful lot of difference in value between being sent to college and going to college.

Then we didn't hear from him for a year and a half, but the other day in came another letter. Said he was in college and was living in a frat house, and the house burned down and he lost every blessed thing he had except the pajamas he was sleeping in, clothes, books, typewriter, money—everything. And he guessed the time had come to sell those stamps and outfit himself again, and did we want to buy them? Did we! !

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U. S. REVIEW

THOMAS F. WHITBREAD
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Inquiries regarding U. S. issues will be answered in this column. If a personal reply is desired enclose a stamped and addressed envelope.

Mr. Roger A. Mathes requests the quantities issued of various stamps. In listing these it is understood that each figure refers to the number of million stamps. Newburgh, 73; 50c Zeppelin, 5; 1c & 3c Chicago, 300 each; the same imperforate, 25; Kosciuszko, 22; Byrd Exhibition sheets, about 10. Final figures for others on list are still unknown.

Mrs. E. A. Ashley wants to know how to distinguish various kinds of paper, as follows:—Wove paper has an even texture without any definite light or dark areas when held to the light. Laid is made on a series of fine wires all going in the same direction. When held to a light this paper presents a series of parallel light and dark lines. Granite paper has numerous small silk fibres imbedded in it while silk paper has fewer and larger strands of the same material so imbedded.

Mrs. Ashley is also interested in the comparative value of various types of cancellations. As a general rule, pen cancellations or punched detract from the value while a hand-stamped cancel adds to the value. Colored cancellations are generally held at a premium.

Harold Yiesla has a copy of the Lincoln blue paper with half the arrow and straight edge guide line at the bottom. He asks if this adds to the value. Some dealers have tried to popularize split arrows, as they are called, and dealers of the Powell-Phillips school have advertised them at quite a premium. However to most people they are just straight edge copies and, as such, sell for less.

Captain Lewis Hixson kindly advises us that his specialized collection of 2c Columbian Broken Hats contains 45 distinct varieties. This is in response to the request from Mr. Mather regarding this item.

The latest in rackets to be brought to our attention is "inverted post cards." This strikes us as being a pretty poor way to take money from collectors. The trick becomes very simple when you know the details. These cards which sell as "inverts" have the stamp and 'this side for address' slogan upside down at the top of the card. Large post offices sell the cards in sheets of 20 or more cards unsevered. Buying these, it is an easy matter to cut them apart below the stamp and slogan instead of over it. Doing this of course manufactures the variety referred to as

UNITED STATES
PLATE NUMBER AND POSITION BLOCKS

	Plate No. Block of 6	Plate No. Block of 4		Plate No. Block of 6	Plate No. Block of 4
537 3c Victory	\$2.40	\$1.65	645 2c Valley Forge	\$.55	\$.38
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614 1c Walloon		.50	649 2c Aero. Conf.	.35	.25
615 2c Walloon	1.50	.80	650 5c Aero. Conf.	1.40	
616 5c Walloon		3.65	680 2c Fallen Timber	.55	.35
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644 2c Saratoga	1.70	1.10	739 3c Wisconsin	.35	.25

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"inverted." While this destroys a few cards at the top of the sheet, the price of 25c asked for these more than amply takes care of this waste at the collector's expense.

Double perforations have about the same value as creased paper varieties. That is, it all depends upon whether a buyer can be found who is interested in these oddities.

Information regarding the catalogue status of the Farley peace offering are still second hand. The Herald-Tribune has it that these will receive regular numbers. That is, the 13 regular imperforates. They go on to say that all previously reported varieties, such as imperforate 2, 5, 7c Parks and the Wisconsin will be deleted with the exception of the 2c Park which "was regularly issued," and which, incidentally, we are under the impression, was the only variety

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1c Chicago	.02	.08		4c	.05	.18		9c	.10	.39	
3c Chicago	.04	.14		5c	.04	.22		10c	.11	.43	
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« Editorials »

VISITORS The office of Linn's Weekly was quite pleased, when on April 5, Mr. Harrison who travels all over the country for H. E. Harris & Company of Boston, Mass., stopped for a visit. It so happened that this date was the regular meeting date of the Columbus Philatelic Club and Mr. Harrison was invited to attend the meeting on that evening.

The members of the Club were entertained by a brief talk by Mr. Harrison and there are probably few men in the country who realize the extent to which stamp collecting has grown throughout the United States as does this gentleman.

Mr. Harrison stated that within the past year, the number of collectors must have grown to almost double what it was a year ago.

Of course it must be understood that this statement includes as collectors, all those who buy stamps from stores and from dealers, as it is

in that manner that one can judge the volume of people interested.

Mr. Harrison also stated that the market for and the demand for foreign issues had shown a marked increase in the past year and that prospects for the stamp trade never looked brighter than at the present time.

This is of course good news for both dealer and collector.

THE BLUE BOOK OF PHILATELY This publication announced some months ago, has made its appearance. It is stated in the foreword, that 5000 collectors and dealers are included in the listing and we find it of interest in getting acquainted with many whom we have known through correspondence and through our publication.

The book should not be confused with any such publication as the list of the "four hundred." It is not such a publication but more in the nature of a directory and as such serves a very desirable purpose. In many instances there is a halftone picture of the various collectors and this is a feature that gives it added interest.

The book contains over 300 pages, is nicely bound in blue cloth, stamped in gold and is a valuable addition to any collectors library.

In addition to American collectors, there is an extensive listing of foreign collectors.

We do not find a price in the book, but those who would be interested in a copy can learn of the price by addressing the publisher, H. L. Lindquist, 100 Sixth Avenue, New York.

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Manchester, N. H., No. 71, 1c ord.
(C. C. Weber)

The writer slipped up on an an-
nouncement in regard to the new cat-
alogue. The major item mentioned
was the transposition of two pages
and I have a letter from Mr. Rich that
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in behalf of the Buro enthusiasts I
again thank you.

You no doubt have read that the
Akron Post Office had returned for
credit the 4c Martha Bureau coils. Mr.
H. M. Southgate in his Mekeel's col-
umn states that they did send back
some coils, but not the 4c Marthas.
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entire lot was returned as Akron had
no use for this item. Therefore the
Akron 4c will not develop into an-
other Kingsport, at least not yet. Mr.
Southgate certainly gets the facts.

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York Precancel Stamp Club is getting
better. More facts and less gossip
some would say. At any rate it is
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The Trans-Mississippi Issue

These were all issued on June 10, 1898, perf. 12 and watermarked double lined USPS, for the exposition then being held at Omaha, Nebraska. The One Dollar stamp is generally considered the most beautiful ever issued by our country, if not the world.

The 1c—Marquette on the Mississippi—is from a painting by Lamprecht, now at Marquette College, Milwaukee, with the exception of the head, which is from the bust by Trentanove in the Capitol at Washington. It is listed in yellow green, with light and dark shades, and plain green, and is known with stitch wmk. and a scarce double transfer, as well as a worn plate variety. 70,993,400 were issued from plates 590 to 92, 598, 600, 601, 605, 607, 612, 635, 709, 710, 711 and 712.

The 2c—Farming in the West—is from an actual photograph. It appears in copper red, with shades in brown red and light brown red, and is often found in oxydised condition. There is a rather common stitch wmk., a scarce double transfer and a worn plate variety. 159,720,800 were issued from plates 597, 608, 610-11, 615-16, 619, 621 to 633, 638 to 642, 644 to 681, 683 to 708, 713 to 722, 724 to 729, 732 to 735, 737 to 744, and 749 to 752.

The 4c—Indian Hunting Buffalo—is from an engraving in Schoolcraft's "History of the Indian Tribes." It is known only in deep orange, with a low priced stitch wmk. variety. 4,924,500 were issued, from plates 599, 634 and 636.

The 5c—Fremont on the Rocky Mountains—is from an old engraving. It appears in dull blue and light blue, with no known minor varieties. 7,694,180 were issued from plates 602, 614 and 618.

The 8c—Troops Guarding Train—is from a drawing by Frederick Remington and appears only in violet brown or dark lilac. It is known with stitch wmk. and also imperforate horizontally. There were 2,927,200 printed, from plates 609 and 643.

The 10c—Hardships of Emigration—is from a painting by A. G. Heater. It appears in gray violet (or slate) and blackish violet, with a scarce stitch wmk. variety. 4,629,760 were issued, from plates 604, 617 and 620.

The 50c—Western Mining Prospector—is also from a drawing by Remington. It is recorded in sage green and dark sage green, no minor varieties being known. 530,400 were issued, plate 603.

The \$1—Cattle in a Storm—is by J. MacWhirter. It appears in black only, with no minor varieties known. 56,900 were issued, all from plate 606.

The \$2—Mississippi River Bridge—is from a photograph of the Eads bridge at St. Louis. It appears only in orange brown, no minor varieties being known. The issue was 56,200, plate 613.

The Pan-American Issue

The Pan-American stamps, one of our handsomest sets and the first bi-colored one, were issued for the exposition held at Buffalo, N. Y. in 1901. They are perf. 12, watermarked with the double lined USPS, and were all put on sale May 1, 1901.

The 1c—Fast Lake Navigation—is from a photo of the "City of Alpena," a vessel of the Detroit & Cleveland Navigation Co. It is recorded in green and black and dark blue green and black, with a scarce double transfer, and there is also a major variety with the center inverted. 91,401,500 were printed, the green frame from plates 1112, 16, 23, 39, 72, 75, 79 and 1181, and the black center from plates 1113, 17, 25, 36, 56, 68, 70, 77, 80, 94, 96, 1225 to 1228, 1233 to 1235, and 1248.

The 2c—Fast Express—is from a photo of the Empire State Express of the period. It appears in carmine and black and several shades of both colors. The varieties are a rather common stitch wmk. and a very rare inverted center. 209,759,700 were issued, the carmine frame from plates 1078, 1092, 1098, 1114, 19, 22, 26, 29, 65, 67, 69 and 1176. The black centers from plates 1079, 1093, 1115, 18, 24, 27, 28, 34, 35, 37, 38, 66, 71, 73, 74, 78, 82, 87, 92, 93, 95, 97, 98, 1208, 1221 to 24, 1229 to 32, 1238 to 41.

The 4c—Automobile—shows the type of electric car then used by the B. & O. Railroad at its principal stations, the picture being made from one of their circulars. The stamp is listed in chocolate and black and deep red brown and black, with a very scarce inverted center variety. 5,737,100 were issued, from frame plate 1145 and center plate 1142.

The 5c—Bridge at Niagara Falls—is taken from a photo and shows the largest single span steel bridge in the world. It is listed in ultramarine and dark ultramarine and black, the only minor variety being a scarce stitch wmk. 7,201,300 were issued from frame plate 1140 and center plate 1141.

The 8c—Canal Locks—is taken from a photo showing vessels in the locks at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. It appears in brown violet and purplish brown and black, and no minor varieties are known. There were 4,921,700 printed from frame plate 1150 and center plate 1143.

The 10c—Fast Ocean Navigation—is from a photo of the St. Paul of the International Navigation Co. It is recorded in yellow brown and black and a darker shade of brown, there being no minor varieties known. 5,043,700 were issued, from frame plate 1151 and center plate 1144.

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No Correction

I have been asked by D. C. Bartley of Seattle to "correct" the list of elected USCS officers I published here a few weeks ago. Inasmuch as I made no error in announcing York Briddell as a director and chairman of the board, I shall make no correction. Bartley is not chairman of the board, as he claims, and has no authority to depose elected officers and "appoint" his friends to fill their places; nor has he authority otherwise to upset the harmony of what was a smooth running society. I trust that USCS members everywhere will take notice of what is going on in the society and rally behind York Briddell to preserve the institution as it was founded.

Exposition Cachet

George P. Stickel, ANCS No. 22, mail clerk on the USS Dorsey, has drawn a fine cachet for application during the international exposition at San Diego this summer. This will be

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Leaves Grebe

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Flag Change

Instead of the USS San Francisco acting as flagship of the new cruiser division to be created, as per my item here recently, President Byrd L. Powell now advises, the USS Tuscaloosa will be the flag, with Rear Admiral Arthur P. Fairchild in command. The change was supposed to have occurred last Thursday. Likewise, President Powell writes that the submarines of the Pacific maneuvers, will be on their way April 27, just a week hence.

ANCS Inquiries

Many inquiries have come to me concerning the new American Naval Cancellation Society and many of those who inquired are now members. The charter of this society is about ready to close and, in fact, may be closed by the time this reaches print, but there is ample room in its ranks for the collector who wants a better organization in which to pursue his hobby. I shall be glad to answer all inquiries.

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COLUMBIAN REPUBLIC—Line engraved by American Bank Note Co., perf. 12, similar to Scott's A132:

2c carmine (oil wells)

(R. Roberts)

DENMARK—Mr. C. Rasmussen, Faaborg, Denmark submits specimen of the 5 ore green Late Fee Stamp which we chronicled December 8, and which we have since questioned as to its issue. He states it is the issue of December, 1934.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC—Special Official Stamps. An issue of 200,000 stamps, authorized by Law #844, with a face value of 25c, was put on sale April 1st. These must be affixed to every letter addressed to the President, the Secretary of State, or to the Assistant Secretary, in addition to the regular postage. Mails from abroad, official correspondence, diplomatic, newspaper, etc., are expected.

Ramfis Bridge Pictorials. Under decree #1217, the following values were authorized, which it is believed will show the newly opened Ramfis Bridge and will be issued about the middle of this month:

500,000 of a ½c value
1,000,000 of a ¾c value
50,000 of a 5c value
50,000 of a 10c value
1,000,000 of a 10c value Air Mail stamp

One sheet of Scott's #518, with inverted surcharge, reported to have been sold over the counter has turned out to be counterfeits.

(Santiago Porcella)

ECUADOR—Semi-Postal Stamp. The 20c stamp chronicled Feb. 23rd was issued to pay a postal tax of 20c for the re-building of the General Post Office at Guayaquil. The design is symbolical of the Post and Telegraph.

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

FINLAND—Copies of the series mentioned in our notes of April 6th are at hand. Line engraved, transverse rectangular format, unwmkd., perf. 13½:

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6pf. deep green
12pf. claret

GREAT BRITAIN—Another value in the photogravure printed set has appeared, this was issued Mar. 18th:

A87 — 3p. violet
(Philatelic Magazine)

INDIA—Silver Jubilee Series. This Colony's set will consist of seven values, as follows: ½a, ¾a, 1a, 2½a, 3½a, 8a and 1 rupee. These will be available for three months from May 6th, forward. The sale of corresponding values of ordinary stamps will be suspended during the currency of the Jubilee stamps.

(Philatelic Magazine)

ITALY—Aegean Islands. In order to clarify our notes of Feb. 23rd, we note here that the stamps previously chronicled are those of Italy chronicled by us Sept. 29, 1934, in different colors and overprinted with the words, "ISOLE ITALIANE DELL'EGEO," in one line of red or black ink.

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

LIECHTENSTEIN—The 25rp value chronicled by us on Feb. 2nd, and listed then as the same as Scott's type A51, while almost identical in appearance, now turns out to be a View of Sammutal, according to Scott's latest Monthly Journal.

MANCHUKUO—The design with the one Chinese character added, mentioned by us on Jan. 12th, is given Scott's type A7 and the following have appeared in addition to those noted Apr. 6th:

½f brown
1f red brown
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

PARAGUAY—Two values of the Air Mail stamps, heralded in our notes of Oct. 27th, 1934, are at hand. Perf. 12, unwmkd.

AP14—10c light blue
AP15—20c yellow brown

(H. G. Spanton)

PERU—Additional Air Mail value to go with the set chronicled Mar. 16th:

AP8—10s dark blue (same as 2c of postal set)
(Scott's Monthly Journal)

ROUMANIA — Patriots Commemoratives. Horizontal rectangular format:

1L violet (Crisan, Horia, Closca)
2L green (Crisan)
6L brown (Closca)
10L blue (Horia)

(Philatelic Magazine)

URUGUAY—Four values of the new long air mail series, heralded by us in our issue of Jan. 19th, are now at hand. Perf. 12½, unwmkd.:

AP6—50c greenish blue
AP6—52c ultramarine
AP6—57c dark blue green
AP6—62c olive

(H. G. Spanton)

Postage value. Similar to Scott's A109, but lithographed by Casa a Barreiro and Ramos, unwmkd. perf. 12½:

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Mr. Kermit O'Connell of Durham, N. C. writes that he for one would be willing to forego the pleasure of collecting handstamp precancels and collect only the printed ones. Mr. O'Connell suggests that the publishers put out a catalog listing only the printed precancels besides their regular complete catalog. Place this book on the market at \$1. I doubt if a book as suggested could be profitably put out at that figure, but I don't think it should cost over \$2 at the most. Mr. Linn and I have estimated that such a catalog cutting out all handstamps and not listing the different positions of the printed precancels would reduce the size of the catalog at least 75%. Listing the different positions of the printed items would add some to the size of the book unless it were handled like the positions of the handstamps are now handled, which I think would be the logical way to treat those positions. List them but do not place a premium on them. Would like to hear from my readers about the collecting of printed precancels ONLY.

Scorpion

I have not mentioned this sheet often because it came not to my desk so often. The April number at hand franked with a 1½¢ F. V. buro coil from Brooklyn. The Scorpion is sponsored by the New York Precancel Club. Unlike most of the others it does not pretend to be a state specialist sheet, but dispenses news of club happenings and general news. One item I wish to call to the attention of my readers. Quoting in part

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This Week's Bi-Cents

Boise, Idaho ½¢ U-10; Danville, Ill., U-120 4c, 9c; Bradley, Ill., 4c sim. U-85, 5c U-120; Glencoe ½¢ U-120; Harvey, Ill., U-122 8c; Macomb U-122 9c; Quincy U-16 1c; Springfield, Ill. U-53 7c, U-121 7c, 8c; Villa Park, Ill. U-121 9c. Came upon a 2c from Beacon Falls, Conn., note that no such town listed in catalog but Beach Falls, I wonder if this is an error in the catalog or what? Conn. readers please note. The type of the above was U-121. Eustis, Fla. U-122 1½¢; Anderson, Ind. U-10 8c; Berne Ind. U-82 1c; Goshen, Ind. U-122 ½¢; Hope, Ind. U-122 1c.

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Boon-doggle is a new expression coined here for the City Emergency Relief trouble that is being ironed out by Mayor La Guardia. Philatelists have a few expressions of their own that are just as puzzling to the non-collector such as flats, perfs., etc., etc.

A newspaper carrier of Skidmore, Mo., named Pearl Taylor boasted of getting to work for six months at 5:27 by the postoffice clock. It was found that the clock had not been running since last Summer.

A youth, Irving Kob, of 99 Clymer St. Brooklyn was held by police for stealing rare postage stamps. The stamp shop of the Arbern Stamp Company was broken into last February and \$1,000 worth of stamps were stolen. Herman Worth of 1100 E. Front St., Plainfield, New Jersey, a stamp dealer, was held for receiving stolen property. Records show that Kob was convicted of stealing three times in five years.

Thieves entered the office of Samuel Berman, a dealer in stamps at 218 Fulton Street, New York, broke a cabinet safe and took a small amount of cash and a stamp collection.

The City Government here has created quite a stir in the ranks of stamp dealers. Restrictions have been proposed that will keep the dealer up burning the midnight oil to make records of sales and if there is any one busier than a stamp dealer it would be a one armed paperhanger with the hives. Let us hope this proposed idea does not go through.

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The price is only 25c postpaid from the Publisher, 11155 Edbrooke Ave., Chicago, Ill.

Farley Rubs It In

Mr. Victor H. Vogel sends a page from Harper's Monthly Magazine of March which contains an excellent story of James A. Farley, Postmaster General.

Mr. Vogel marks a paragraph which is worthy of reprinting and we therefore quote from this article.

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The stamps are to replace the 10 aur and the 1 krona, Scott numbers 182 and 189. The new 10 aur will bear a picture of the famous Dynjandfoss (The Thunderer) on the West Coast of Iceland and the 1 krona will picture the world famous Vulcano Hekla. The stamps will be of the same size as the Waterfalls stamps, Scott Numbers 170 to 175 and will be printed at Copenhagen.

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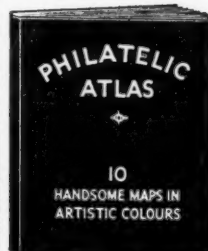
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	Single	Pair	Block Four	Complete Set of Center Line and Four Arrow Blox	Plate Number Blox of Six
1c Parks—Imperf.	.02	.04	.06	.85	.20
2c Parks—Imperf.	.03	.05	.10	1.50	.30
3c Parks—Imperf.	.04	.08	.15	2.00	.39
4c Parks—Imperf.	.05	.10	.20	2.50	.50
5c Parks—Imperf.	.06	.12	.24	3.00	.55
6c Parks—Imperf.	.07	.14	.28	3.50	.65
7c Parks—Imperf.	.08	.16	.32	3.75	.75
8c Parks—Imperf.	.09	.18	.36	4.00	.85
9c Parks—Imperf.	.10	.20	.40	4.50	.90
10c Parks—Imperf.	.12	.23	.45	5.00	1.00
FULL SET	.65	1.30	2.60	30.60	6.00

3c Mothers Day—Imperf.	.04	.08	.15	2.00	.35
3c Wisconsin—Imperf.	.04	.08	.15	2.00	.35
16c Airmail—Imperf.	.20	.38	.75	10.00	2.00
3c Byrd—Perforated	.04	.08	.15	2.00	.35
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	.15	.30
	.50	1.00
	.15	.30
	1.25	1.50



In the Newburgh stamps the set of position blocks of four consist of the center block with vertical and horizontal gutter between the stamps and of the top and bottom center blocks with vertical gutter between also right and left center blocks with horizontal gutter between. But one set of such blocks is available from a sheet of 400 stamps. Likewise, the pairs or blocks instead of having a line between come with a white paper gutter between.

The Souvenir Sheets Dissected

The 1c National Parks sheet of six as issued at Omaha, the 3c National Parks sheets of six as issued at Atlantic City, the 3c Byrd sheet of six as issued at The National Philatelic Exhibition and the 1c and 3c Century of Progress sheets of 25 can be collected in numerous different ways so that the collector will have visible evidence that the pieces are from this special Farley Printing. I have attempted to dissect these sheets and offer them in every possible way for the collector who is looking for odd pieces.

Parks and Byrd Souvenir Sheets

	1 cent Parks	3 cent Parks	3 cent Byrd
Pair of sheets, two panes with gutter between.	.25	.55	.55
Center gutter block of four, one stamp from corner of each of four different panes of six.	.15	.40	.40
Four position blocks of four from margins of sheets with white gutter between top, bottom, right and left, set.	.60	1.50	1.50
Same as above only in pairs.	.35	.80	.80
Blocks of four with Horizontal gutter between.	.15	.40	.40
Pair with Horizontal gutter between.	.08	.20	.20
Block of four with Vertical gutter between.	.15	.40	.40
Pair with Vertical gutter between.	.08	.20	.20

Century Progress Souvenir Sheets

	1 cent Stamp	3 cent Stamp
Pair of sheets of 25 stamps with gutter between.	.75	1.90
Center gutter block of four, one stamp from the corner of each of four panes of 25 stamps.	.50	1.00
Same as above, but block of 16, showing attached blocks of four from corners of four different panes with gutter between.	.75	1.50
Four position blocks of four from top, bottom, right and left side of large sheets, with gutters between stamps, set.	.50	1.30
Same as above, in pairs, with gutter between.	.40	1.25
Block of four with vertical gutter between.	.10	.25
Pair with vertical gutter between.	.05	.12
Block of four with horizontal gutter between.	.10	.25
Pair with horizontal gutter between.	.05	.12

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From this lot of Special Farley Issues there are the ten Parks stamps, 1c to 10c imperf, the Mothers' Day, The Wisconsin, and the 16c Airmail Special Delivery as well as the 1c and 3c Century of Progress and 3c Imperf. Byrd stamp that collectors will want in single copies, vertical or horizontal pair or blocks of four and for quick reference I list these in a single group and price them as follows:

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